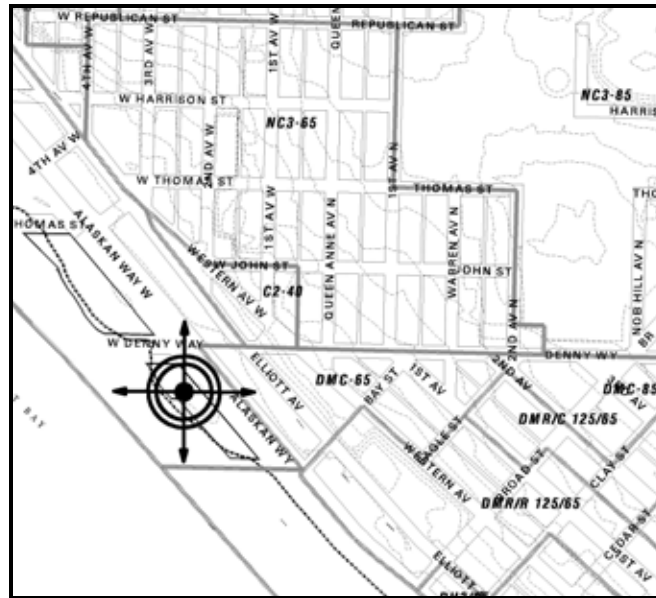


Myrtle Edwards Park

Alaskan Way between W. Bay and W. Thomas



LOCATION AND VIEWPOINT CATEGORY

The park is located along the shores of Elliot Bay in the Belltown neighborhood. The viewpoints offer panoramic views of Puget Sound, Olympic Mountains, Downtown skyline and Mt. Rainier. Framed views of the Space Needle also exist. 95% of the views are currently unobstructed.

SUMMARY OF EXISTING CONDITIONS

Recent landscape restoration efforts have occurred within the park, addressing circulation, drainage and planting needs. A grove of Poplars growing on a mound at the south end of the park block views of the Downtown skyline from most viewpoint locations. In addition, Himalayan blackberry is beginning to establish colonies at the shoreline.

MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS

A. MAINTENANCE FOR EXISTING CONDITIONS

Category 2 – Tree Pruning and Invasive Weed Removal

Procedures:

1. Tree removal and/or pruning using ANSI 300 standards
2. Invasive weed removal along shoreline
3. Erosion control with new plantings
4. Irrigate new plants

B. GENERAL MAINTENANCE PRACTICES

Five year maintenance cycle frequency will require:

- physical removal of weeds along shoreline
- Removing tree saplings

- Control of adjacent vegetation
- Removal of dead, declining and diseased trees
- Prune trees for form, shape and to prohibit view obstruction using ANSI 300 standards

View management locations: Zone 1 - Developed park landscape

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Priority 3

The majority of intended views exist with the exception of pruning a stand of Poplars that obstruct views of the downtown skyline from much of the site.

Phasing

- Phase 1 - Prune trees
- Phase 2 - Eradicate invasive weeds along shoreline
Plant to prevent erosion where necessary
Provide temporary irrigation

Labor Sources (UF- Urban Forestry Staff, PM – Park Maintenance Staff)

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| Contractor, UF, and/or volunteers: | -physical removal of weeds |
| UF staff: | -prune trees |
| Contractor, UF and/or volunteers: | -planting and mulching |
| Park Maintenance staff: | -prune shrubs and small trees,
control adjacent vegetation |

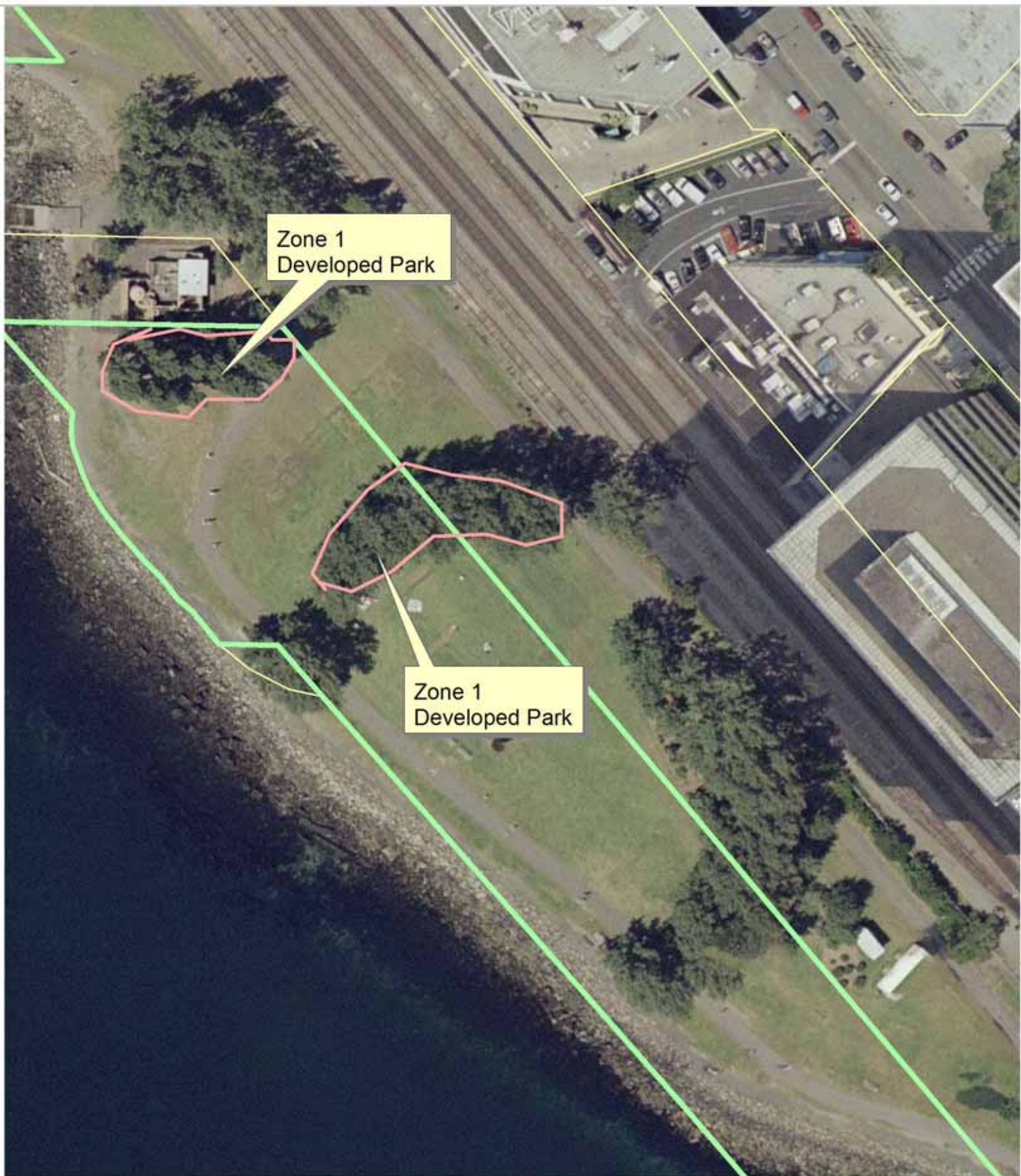
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Obstructed views south toward downtown Seattle



Invasive weeds growing along crest of slope at shoreline



Myrtle Edwards Park Viewpoints

LEGEND

LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT ZONES

- Zone 1 - Developed Park Landscape
- Zone 2 - Transition
- Zone 3 - Hillside
- Park Boundary
- Parcel Boundary

1:900

0 75 Feet



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